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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: GOB STATEMENT

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 6 FOLLOWING TEXT OF "PRESS RELEASE" FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, HIGHLIGHT OF WHICH IS STATEMENT THAT THE LATTER VIEWS UK/US PROPOSALS ON RHODESIA AS "FORMING A USEFUL BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO SETTLEMENT OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM".

2. TEXT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT HAS RECEIVED A TEXT OF THE PROPOSALS FOR A SETTLEMENT OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM, WHICH WAS PUBLISHED BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IN LONDON ON THE 2ND SEPTEMBER 1977 AND WHICH THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, DR. OWEN,
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INTENDS TO SUBMIT TO THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

THE PROPOSALS, WHICH WERE DRAWN UP WITH THE FULL AGREEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AFTER INTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS WITH ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED, AIM AT THE RESTORATION OF LEGALITY IN RHODESIA AND THE ATTAINMENT OF INDEPENDENCE AND MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA DURING 1978.

THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT VIEW THESE PROPOSALS AS
FORMING A USEFUL BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO THE
SETTLEMENT OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM. THE BOTSWANA
GOVERNMENT DOES NOT UNDERSTIMATE THE VERY DIFFICULT
PROBLEMS THAT WILL BE ENCOUNTERED IN THESE
NEGOTIATIONS AS THE PROVISIONS IN THE PACKAGE CONTAIN
SENSITIVE AND DELICATE ISSUES WHICH REQUIRE CAREFUL IN
DEPTH STUDY BY THE PRINCIPAL PARTIES THEMSELVES.
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